



Office of Mayor Fletcher Berger

Greetings from the Mayor

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Mayor. It is an honor to be your Mayor, and as long as you will have me I will continue to serve our community to the best of my ability. My goal is to exceed your expectations.

Our economy is still recovering from the effects of reduced revenues that have confronted us since I took office in January of 2008. We have accomplished many of our goals over the course of the past five (5) years. A primary goal is always a balanced budget. We have ended each year with a balanced budget, a contingency fund for emergencies and a reasonable surplus. In August of 2012 we replaced the city's 25-year old telecommunication system with a highly advanced and more reliable voice-over IP system. This system will not only enable us to better serve the community, it will also save us money. We upgraded Reed Park (*24780 Eldridge Boulevard*) with a new playground area. We also completed the update of our pools and whirlpool with ADA compliant hydraulic lifts to assist our seniors and disabled in gaining safe and secure access to the water. We continued our roadway revitalization projects, the largest of which being the water and sewer line replacement and roadway revitalization of Columbia Drive. We have also been pleased to be able to provide our community's needy with groceries from our FREE Mobile Food Pantry.

Plans for 2013 include:

- Water line replacement and roadway revitalization of Perkins Road
- Creating a shared dispatch system between Bedford Heights, Bedford and Maple Heights that will be more efficient and reduce costs
- Selling of the hotel property located at 24801 Rockside Road
- Completion in the fall of 2013 of Mother Teresa Manor; a 44-unit, two-story building set on 3.3 acres of land and located at the corners of Columbus and Kimberly Roads

I would like to thank members of City Council for their continued support and efforts on behalf of the residents of Bedford Heights. Leading this community is a Team effort.

Thank you for your continued support and do not hesitate to contact me.